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WILLIAMSON'S BLUE RIBBON STRAIN



S. C. WHITE LEGHORNS

EGGS FOR HATCHING ∴ BABY CHICKS
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SINGLE COMB WHITE LEGHORNS



NATURE'S most bountiful gift—S. C. White Leghorns. In this booklet we aim to convince the reader of the advantages of the White Leghorns, and give the reasons for their being the most popular egg producing variety of poultry in the world.

To many people "a chicken is just a chicken," but no more mistaken reasoning could prevail. There is just as much difference, in proportion, in the value of a pure bred fowl and a scrub as there is between a registered Jersey and a scrub cow. No one should ever consider keeping anything but pure bred poultry for either pleasure or profit, especially as the initial cost of pure stock is very little more than that of mongrels, and the upkeep the same. The S. C. White Leghorns have been bred and trapnested for years with the maximum of egg production as the aim, until egg records of over 200 per year are common, and some hens have produced over 300. It doesn't cost much more to feed one of these hens than it does one laying four dozen eggs a year.

Ten Reasons Why You Should Keep Single Comb White Leghorns

First. As the Leghorns are the best "Rustlers" they naturally are very active and healthy.

Second. Leghorns mature quicker than the larger varieties. This saves time, feed and labor.

Third. Leghorns will start laying younger and continue laying longer than the larger varieties.

Fourth. Fewer males are needed with Leghorns than with larger varieties.

Fifth. As the Leghorns are very active they produce a very high per cent of Fertile Eggs. Therefore you need not set as many eggs to get the desired number of Chicks.

Sixth. Leghorns will stand confinement better than the larger varieties, and requiring less space, you save house equipment and expense.

Seventh. The Government Experimental Stations report more Leghorns in Egg-Laying Contests than all other varieties combined!



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Eighth. Leghorns do not consume as much feed as the larger varieties. This fact greatly helps your bank account. Only 20% of Leghorn hens go broody each year, compare this record with the larger varieties, and you'll be convinced the Leghorns are layers and not "shirkers eating their heads off."

Ninth. Their Beautiful White Plumage and Red Combs and Wattles present a strikingly handsome and clean-cut appearance which appeals to all.

Tenth. Last but not least—"the Hen that lays is the hen that pays," and the Single Comb White Leghorns are the Best Layers! Note that



80% of the Poultry Farms that make a business of Commercial Eggs and nothing else keep S. C. White Leghorns exclusively. The Single Comb White Leghorns are the acknowledged, most popular variety of fowls. This is a great advantage in the sale of breeding stock, hatching eggs and baby chicks. A flock of these handsome fowls soon convinces the most skeptical dealer or breeder of their ability to make the Poultry Business Pay and PAY BIG.

Williamson's Blue RIBBON STRAIN S. C. WHITE LEGHORNS, are not only Winners in the Show Rooms but were Winners at one of the largest Egg-Laying Contests (American Egg-Laying Contest.) My



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birds were placed against birds from some of the best Breeders in America and England and were among the best Pens and Individuals.

My Pen finished the year in 7th place of 45 Pens of Leghorns. In the Individuals I had the Highest Leghorns for February. She finished the year in 2nd place of White Leghorns, so you can see how they lay. *I have won more places in the past seven seasons, and have furnished*

more Blue Ribbon Winners than any other Leghorn Breeder in Iowa. I have hundreds of Testimonials from customers that I have supplied with either Hatching Eggs, Baby Chicks, Breeding Stock or Exhibition Stock, stating that they have had the best of SUCCESS with them.

Our Leghorns are "Bred to Lay" and born to win. They hold the highest record for the State of Iowa in the Laying Contest and Show Room. Our Birds won 1st Cock, 1st, 2nd, 3rd Cockerels, 2nd Pullet at the Great Iowa State Fair 1917—and then came back in 1919 and won all places on Cocks—Hens and Cockerels—1st, 2nd, 3rd Cocks—1st, 2nd, 3rd Hens—1st, 2nd, 3rd Cockerels, 3rd pullet, Best Display and Sweepstake Cockerel—and all this Winning remember in the Largest Classes of Leghorns shown at any State Fair in 1919.

This Winning was made in competition with Breeders that won best Display in Chicago 1919.

Then they come back again in 1921 and in a large Class they win 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th Cocks—1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th, Hens—1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th Cockerels—1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th Pullets—1st Old Pen—Best Display and Sweepstake Cockerel. The Only Strain That Ever WON ALL The Singles 16 Places At This Great Fair.

Show Winnings MY WINNINGS IN 1917

At the big Iowa State Show, held January 4th to 9th, I won the grand sweepstakes for the largest and best display in the Mediterranean class. Also won best display in S. C. White Leghorns and second best display in show room of all kinds. Was the only breeder to win on cocks, cockerels, hens and pens of his own breeding. I won 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th cocks; 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th hens; 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th cockerels; 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th pullets; 2nd, 3rd, pens.

Iowa State Fair, 1917, in competition with some of the best breeders of Iowa, Nebraska and Wisconsin, I won 1st cock, defeating cock birds that came from some of the best breeders in America. Won 1st, 2nd, 3rd cockerels—or all places on cockerels in one of the best classes of cockerels ever shown



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in Iowa. Also won 2nd pullet. I did not show any pens. Won the big silver cup for best pair of Leghorn cockerels.

Aurora Fair and Poultry Show. Won 1st cock; 1st, 2nd hen; 1st, 2nd, 3rd cockerel; 1st, 2nd, 3rd pullet; 1st pen. Special for best pen in Mediterranean class. Special for best cock, cockerel, hen, pullet, in Mediterranean class. Special for best shape Leghorn male and female. Special for best White Leghorn cockerel and pullet. Special for best shape White Leghorn cockerel and pullet.

Iowa State Show, in December, I entered two birds and won 1st pullet and 4th cockerel.

MY WINNINGS IN 1918

Dubuque Show, Jan. 3 to 8, 1918, I won, in competition with winners at the State Show in December, 1st, 3rd cocks; 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th hens; 1st, 2nd, 4th cockerels; 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th pullets; 2nd, 3rd pens; sweepstakes for best display in show room; also won Grand Champion for best cockerel in show room.

Jones County Fair. Where all birds were shown in trios. Won 1st old trio. First young trio.

Aurora Fair and Poultry Show. Won 1st cock, 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th hens; 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th cockerels; 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th pullets; 1st and 2nd pens; Champion 10 birds in show room; Grand Champion cockerel in show room; Grand Champion pullet in show room, and 9 other specials.

Cedar Valley Fair. Held by Cedar Falls and Waterloo. Won 1st, 2nd cockerel; 1st, 2nd, 3rd hens; 1st, 2nd, 3rd pullets; 1st pen; had the Grand Champion cockerel in show room. Did not show any cock birds.

MY WINNINGS IN 1919

At the Great Iowa State Fair in the largest class of Leghorns shown in Iowa in 1919, and one of the largest classes shown at any State Fair, 1919, in competition with breeders that won best display in Chicago, 1919, I won 1st, 2nd, 3rd cocks, 1st 2nd, 3rd hens, 1st, 2nd, 3rd cockerels, 3rd pullet, best display and sweepstake cockerel. Did not show any pens.

MY WINNINGS IN 1921

At the great Iowa State Fair 1921 in a large class of Leghorns they Won 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th Cocks—1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th Hens—1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th Cockerels—1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th Pullets. 1st Old Pen—Best Display and Sweepstake Cockerel. Did not show any young Pen.

My birds are line bred and will produce birds for you that will win the "Blue" in the best of competition and will also shell out the eggs. My show winnings for 1914, 1915 and 1916 at the leading shows in Iowa and Illinois were 32 first, 30 seconds, 21 thirds, 8 fourths, 9 fifths, 28 specials and 7 Champions!

What THE WESTERN POULTRY JOURNAL writes on our birds at the Iowa State Fair 1921: H. E. Williamson, Dubuque, Iowa, made



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a "Clean Sweep" in the Whites, winning all of the prizes in Cocks, Cockerels, Hens, and Pullets, and Sweepstake Cockerel in this Class. He also won 1st Old Pen.

Mr. Williamson's birds rank with the best Breeders in America, and *he was entitled to this winning!*



First Pullet,
Iowa State Fair, 1921



Second Hen,
Iowa State Fair, 1921

My birds, with exhibition and egg quality combined, makes them one of the best flocks of S. C. Leghorns. Anyone wanting some good exhibition stock or egg machines would do well to secure eggs or baby chicks from the following pens:

Pen Number One

This Pen is headed by 1st Cock, Iowa State Fair 1919, he also headed 1st Old Pen, at the Iowa State Fair 1921. He has a very small 6 Pointed Comb with good other head points. Fine breast, long broad back, with a very low well-spread tail, he is pure White and well up on two good yellow legs. He is mated to 1st hen, Dubuque 1918. 2nd and 3rd Hens, Iowa State Fair 1919, 3rd Hen, Iowa State Fair 1921, and 6 other hens that have fine five pointed combs and good head points throughout. They have good long backs with low well-spread tails. Pure White and I will say this Pen produced a very large percent of fine show Birds for me the past three seasons and will produce more just like them to win the "Blue" at the Largest Shows. Eggs \$15 per 15. Chicks \$2.00 each.

Pen Number Two

This Pen is headed by a Cock bird, the First Cockerel and Sweepstake Cockerel, Iowa State Fair 1919. He has a good five pointed comb with other splendid head points. Has a fine breast with an extra long broad back with a very low well-spread tail. This bird is Pure White and a grand Leghorn in all sections. He is mated to 1st, 2nd Hen, Iowa State Fair 1921 and 7 other hens in line to produce some fine show birds. The females have good small five pointed combs, good breasts, long broad backs with low well-spread tails, Pure White, they are in fact a grand pen of females, good as Winners in the strongest kind of Competition. This Pen has produced some Fine Exhibition Birds for me the past two seasons. Eggs \$10 per 15. Chicks \$1.50 each.

Pen Number Three

This Pen is headed by a Cock bird that has a nice five pointed comb and other good head points. Good breast, long broad back with a very low well-spread tail. Pure White and well up on sturdy yellow legs. He is mated to 1st, 2nd, 3rd Pullets, Dubuque Show, 1918 1st Pullet, Iowa State Show 1917. 1st Hen, Iowa State Fair 1919—2nd

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hen, Iowa State Show 1917, and 4 hens that are in line to produce some Fine Exhibition Birds. All of these females have good head points with nice small combs, long broad backs with low well-spread tails. They are Pure White. This Pen produced some Fine Exhibition Birds the past season. Eggs \$10 per 15. Chicks \$1.50 each.



First Cock, Iowa State Fair, 1921

Pen Number Four

This Pen is headed by a Cock bird that was 3rd Cock, Iowa State Fair 1921. He has a fine five pointed comb. Well up on strong yellow legs. Pure White. Has a fine long broad back with a very low well-spread tail. He is mated to 1st, 2nd, Pullets. 1st, 2nd Hens, Cedar Valley Fair 1918—4th Hen, Iowa State Fair 1921 and to six other Pure White hens that have very small combs, with good long broad backs, with low well-spread tails. This Pen produces birds with very small combs and birds that WIN WITH THE BEST OF THEM! Eggs \$10 per 15. Chicks \$1.50 each.

Pen Number Five

This pen is headed by a cockerel that has a fine five pointed comb, well up on good yellow legs, and Pure White. Has a good, broad back with a low well-spread tail—a fine Leghorn male. He is mated to 1st, 2nd and 4th pullets, Iowa State Fair, 1921, and 12 other good pullets that have fine head points, good long backs with low, well-spread tails and Pure White. These pullets will win in the best of competition, and mated to this male, are in line to produce some extra fine show birds; birds that will give a good account of themselves in the best of shows. Eggs, \$10.00 per 15. Chicks \$1.50 each.

Pen Number Six

This pen is headed by a cockerel that has a fine five-pointed comb and other fine head points, well up on good yellow legs, has a good, long, broad back with a low, well-spread tail and Pure White. This is a grand bird, the kind that all Leghorn breeders are looking for. He is mated to four good hens with good head points and long, broad backs with low, well-spread tails and are Pure White; also eight pullets that are in line with him and have fine head points with nice long, broad backs with low, well-spread tails. This pen will produce some winners for the show rooms next fall and winter. Eggs, \$7.50 per 15. Chicks, \$1.25 each.

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Pen Number Seven

This pen is headed by a cock that has one of the best egg records behind him that can be found. His dam laid 292 eggs in her pullet year. His sire's dam laid 267. This cock is mated to three of my best hens that were in my winning pen at the Laying Contest; also hen that finished in second place of White Leghorns in the singles. Twelve hens that have been extra heavy layers; have four finger capacity between the pelvic bones; four finger capacity between the pelvic bones and the point of the breast bone. These hens did not start to molt before November 1. Some of them did not start until December 15. These hens "Hogan tested" would lay from 200 to 250 eggs per year. Birds from this pen will produce from 200 to 292 eggs per year. I claim this pen is one of the best mated pens for egg production you can find. Eggs, \$5.00 per 15. Chicks, \$1.00 each.

Pen Number Eight

This pen is my Free Range Flock. They are headed by 1st cock, Iowa State Fair, 1921; 1st, 2nd and 3rd cockerels, Iowa State Fair, 1921; 1st cock, Dubuque, 1918; 2nd cock, Iowa State Fair, 1919; 2nd cockerel, Iowa State Fair, 1919, and ten fine exhibition cockerels; also eight males that were hatched from my extra heavy laying pen. There are 300 hens and pullets in this pen. They are all good birds and several of them are prize winners; three hens that were in 1st Old Pen at the State Fair, 1921, are among them. This large flock has produced Blue Ribbon Winners for my customers. You will look far and wide for a pen that consists of such winners and have the lines behind them to produce. They will not only produce winners in the show rooms but will produce some great layers as the males from my heavy laying pen are 292 egg line, and I sell eggs from this pen at \$3.00 per 15, \$10.00 per 100. Chicks \$12.00 per 50, \$20.00 per 100.

Don't forget that the Blue Ribbon Strain lays lots of big white eggs and are good enough to go in any show room.

Have furnished winners at some of the leading shows in Iowa, Ohio, Illinois, Indiana, Tennessee, Arkansas, South Dakota, North Dakota, Minnesota and Wisconsin. Some of these birds not only won the "Blue" but were Champions and Grand Champions of the entire show.

We guarantee 85 per cent Fertile Eggs and should there be less will replace free of charge if the infertile eggs are returned within 12 days after they have been set. Chicks guaranteed safe arrival. Can ship any distance.

Can furnish you with cocks, cockerels, hens, pullets, trios or pens for any show you want to make. Also will select a pen for you for any egg-laying contest you would like to win in. Prices on this stock will be quoted on request.

Breeding Stock: Cocks, \$5 to \$10; cockerels, \$3 to \$10; hens, \$3 to \$5; pullets, \$3 to \$5; pens, \$20 to \$30.

Shipped on Approval

Our birds are sent on approval. After you have received them and looked them over, should you not like them, return at once and we will refund your money, less the Express Charges back.

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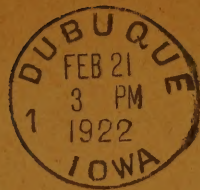
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